# State Transportation Commission

July 31, 2008

Director Kirk T. Steudle, P.E.

#### Overview

MDOT Program Reduction Strategies

 Transportation Funding Task Force Update (TF2)

Design/Build/Finance Pilot Projects

# Program Reduction Strategies

#### Director's Report June 26, 2008

- Presented information on the Department's Highway and Maintenance Program financial situation
- Indicated the downward trends in travel and revenue and the rising costs of materials
- MDOT is facing tough choices
- Presenting four possible strategies

#### **Federal Funding**

- Highway Trust Fund
  - Facing insolvency in 2009
  - Congress is working to address the issue
  - MDOT must be prepared to make adjustments to the 2009 Capital Program



#### **State Funding**

- MDOT will not be able to match all federal-aid dollars beginning in 2010
- Anticipated shortfall of state revenue and unmatchable federal-aid is over \$3.2 Billion over the 2010-2013 timeframe



## Possible Capital Program Adjustment Strategies

Four alternative strategies

Varying impacts on program

Focus on high volume system

- Preservation and Safety Focus
  - Emphasis on preservation and safety
  - Projects in other programs would be delayed and/or eliminated



- Proportional Reduction
  - Reduces all programs
  - Reductions based on share of 2009
     Trunkline Program template target



- Corridors of Significance Focus
  - Focuses funding toward the higher level of the transportation system
  - Funding would most likely continue on National and Statewide Corridors as identified in the MI Transportation Plan
  - Projects in Regional and Local Corridors would be delayed and/or eliminated



- MI Transportation Plan Priorities
  - Considers the MI Transportation Plan objectives
  - STC identified preservation, safety, bottlenecks, and operations as near-term priorities
  - Provide some level of funding for pavement and bridge preservation, safety, capacity improvement, ITS, and CMAQ programs



# **TF2 Update**

#### **Revenue and Needs Estimates**

| Scenario       | Aviation | Highway,<br>Road and<br>Bridge | Intermodal<br>Freight | Intermodal<br>Passenger |
|----------------|----------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Do<br>Nothing* | \$121 m  | \$2.2 B                        | \$14 m                | \$241 m                 |
| Good           | \$242 m  | \$6.1 B                        | \$19 m                | \$773 m                 |
| Better         | 327 m    | \$12.6 B                       | \$41 m                | \$1.3 B                 |

<sup>\*</sup> Current investment level among road agencies is \$3.2 billion (FY 08)

#### **Cost of Doing Nothing**

- Inability to match federal funds
  - Highways
  - Transit
  - Aviation
- Deteriorating facilities
  - Road conditions
  - Airports
  - Transit systems
- Loss of jobs 12,255 from shrinking MDOT highway program alone

#### What's Next?

- Task force has a 'catalog' of revenue options to consider
  - They will consider options in context of needs identified in CAC reports
- They will begin to narrow field of options Primary considerations:
  - Economic activity
  - Personal mobility
- Task force will continue to receive public comments at all meetings
- October 31 deadline for recommendations

# Design/Build/Finance Pilot Projects

#### **Project Goals & Evaluation Criteria**

- Experience with design-build delivery methods
- Understanding how non-traditional financing methods can be utilized in Michigan
- Gain experience in public private partnerships

#### Design/Build/Finance Pilot Projects

- Innovative contracting method
- Used by other states
  - Florida
  - Missouri
- Accelerated project delivery and use of private sector financing





#### I-69 Project Overview

Project location: I-69 - Lapeer/St. Clair Co. Line to Miller Rd.

Lapeer and St. Clair Counties

Estimated cost of construction: \$44,000,000



I-69 at Martin Rd.



**Capac Rest Area** 



I-69 at Capac Rd.



I-69 at Cox-Doty Drain



#### I-69 Project Overview

- Estimated DBF construction cost \$44,000,000
- Alternate pavement bidding component
- Advertised June 13, 2008
- Bids and technical proposal due on August 8, 2008
- Contractor selected on a modified low bid basis





#### M-21 Project Overview

Project location: M-21/I-75 Interchange in Genesee County, Michigan Estimated cost of construction: \$7,000,000





#### M-21 Project Overview

- Bridge replacement and building demolition project originally scheduled for 2011
- Estimated construction cost is approximately \$7 M
- Project advertised on June 6, 2008
- Bid and technical proposals due August 28, 2008
- Two Step Selection Process was used
  - Step 1: Contractors were short-listed based on qualifications of the DBF Team
  - Step 2: The final contractor will be selected using a Best Value procedure



#### Contractor Financing Issues

- Availability of department funding for projects
- Potential deductions or delays of processing final payment
- Guarantee of payment to lender



### **Expected Benefits of Design/Build/Finance**

- Earlier use of improved transportation facilities in 2009
- Potential reduction in construction costs
- First steps in public private partnership experience
  - New method of financing
  - Experience in alternative contracting methods
- Experience in alternate pavement components